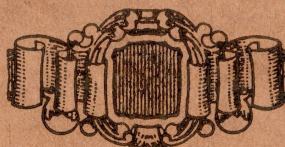
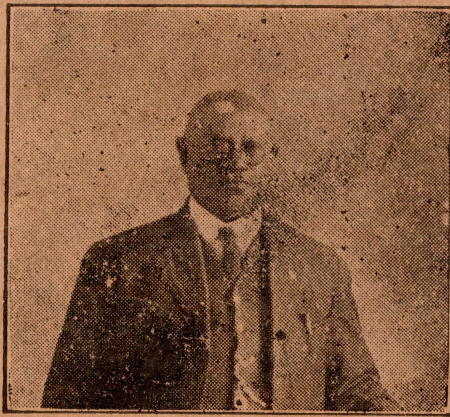


MINUTES
of The
Colored Funeral Directors
and
Licensed Embalmers
Association
of Virginia

Held At
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA
April 23-24, 1931



Next Session Will Be Held At
Petersburg, Virginia
JULY 13-14, 1932



CAPT. THOS. H. BROWN
Sect'y-Treas. Colored Funeral
Directors And Licensed
Embalmers Asso.
of Virginia

Lynchburg, Va. April 22, 1931

The Colored Funeral Directors and Licensed Embalmers of Virginia assembled in the Fourth Annual Meeting, on the above date, in Humbles' Hall, Lynchburg Va.

The Vice-President, Mr. J. T. Fisher called the meeting to order in the absence of the Pres., Mr. J. M. Wilkerson. The Vice-Pres. made some brief remarks concerning the President; after which the opening song, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," was led by Capt. Thos. H. Brown, The Scripture lesson was read by Mr. J. S. Taylor who acted as Chaplain, prayer was offered and another hymn, "Nearer my God to Thee" was sung.

The Secretary stated that the Annual Fee is \$5.00 and the Defense fee is \$5.00. The Enrollment and Fees collected as follows:

R. C. Scott	C. V. Wilson
Wm. Grogan	Charlie Corbin
U. S. Cunningham	C. S. Cunningham
Arthur Brown	Norman H. Gordon
J. T. Fisher	Matthew R. Smith
John Elliot	R. Rodgers
Wm. H. Brown	C. P. Hayes
Moses Forsey	James A. C. Johnson
B. H. Foster	W. S. West
T. G. Wilson	J. F. Peele (Crocker & Boykin)
Wilcox Jones	J. T. Taylor
V. Y. Scott	T. E. Cooke
Matthews' Funeral Home	R. W. Clarke (Citizens' Und.)
H.A. Claiborne	D. R. Briggs
Nancy Wheeler	

Visitors: Goram Jackson, Norris H. Dotson, Mr. West of S. Boston Mr. J. M. Wilkerson. President of the Association, being ill, a letter sent to the Association by him, was read and remarks were made by the Secretary and Mr. R. C. Scott regarding the sentiment expressed by the President. Letter follows:

Petersburg, Va., Apr. 22, 1931

To The Colored Funeral Directors &
Embalmers Association of Virginia,

My dear Co-workers:--

It is with pleasure to know that you are still holding up the profession, and while I am unable to be present with you in this session, I hope that peace and harmony will be in your meeting, and that your deliberations will be upon

that high plane of dignity and your every act while in the city of Lynchburg will reflect to the good of our profession.

I am, through my friends, Mr. R. C. Scott, and Capt. Thos. H. Brown, our Secretary, sending my message, being assured that they will give you the full sense of what I would like to have you do.

As to our legislative program, I hope you will push it forward.

Let me remind you that to properly conduct your affairs while in Convention assembled, and your good impression on the people of Lynchburg will greatly add to our work.

Knowing you as I do, I am resting with the assurance that the best results will come from this Convention.

Yours,

J. M. Wilkerson,

Pres. C. F. D. & L. E. Asso. of Va.

Then in a very pleasing manner the Vice Pres. Mr. J. T. Fisher, delivered the following address:

To the Colored Funeral Directors &
Embalmers Asso. of Virginia,

Once again through the wisdom of our all wise Providence, we are permitted to meet in another Convention, for which kindness I am sure we are grateful.

Time is so fleeting, we can hardly realize that it has been one year since we last met in Portsmouth, the City by the Sea, with our public meeting in the historic Zion Baptist Church. Many we knew and many who were in attendance at that convention, have passed to the Great Beyond. Many have been our experiences since that time, and many have been the trials of this Association but an all wise Heavenly Father has permitted many of us who are in attendance today to live and carry on even up until this present moment, and sit again in this, the city of Lynchburg, (overflowing with hospitality) to review the work of another year.

It seems as but yesterday that we met, but in reality 365 days have come and gone, yea, twelve months have we labored and toiled and it is now history. Thru sunshine and rain, thru storm and calm, it has never been too hot or too cold, but always the same and our attention was ever directed to the welfare and progress of this beloved Association. It is with a real spirit of delight and pleasure that I greet you on this occasion for I see so many familiar faces, and my prayer is, that all of us may be spared to

meet in many more conventions, and may peace and harmony and prosperity crown our every effort.

Facts In *The Case*

Frequently complaint is made that charges of undertakers and funeral directors for their services are exorbitant, this adverse criticism is due to a lack of knowledge on part of those making it. They do not know the problems of the undertakers. When a call comes the undertaker must go, regardless of conditions. Very often the parties most concerned in the arrangements are unfit to go in to the details. On the other hand, absent beneficiaries, minor children and even scheming and dishonest persons confuse the issue and render the task of the undertaker a difficult one.

All of this we must take in consideration. Overhead, service, cost of collection, and very frequently attorney's fees must enter into the calculation, and this, of course swells the total. Thus, we can readily see the problem of the average undertaker is not altogether an easy one. Therefore, we are making a few suggestions as to legislation that would somewhat simplify the matter, and, as a consequence, would materially reduce the average cost of Funerals.

Some Reasons why there should be a change in the Laws bearing on beneficiaries

1. Very frequently the insured, in order to keep up their premiums. in insurance companies, fraternal orders and other beneficial organizations, are obliged to sacrifice many of the comforts and necessities of life. Now is it reasonable to believe that they would make some one the beneficiary, whom, they knew, cared little or nothing for them in the distressing hours of life? Would it be in keeping with their wishes, if their money, instead of being used to give them, at least a decent burial, be used instead to buy automobiles and fine clothes, to pay for parties, while in life they suffer and in death rest uneasy in an unpaid for casket?

2. In justice to all concerned, there should be some clear and well defined legislation on beneficiaries and those who could qualify as such under certain circumstances. The logical ones are those who have cared for the deceased during illness, and in the case of absent beneficiaries or minor children, some legal provision should be enacted, in order that the expenses incumbent upon burial should be guaranteed or at least reasonably assured. Under the present law there is no such provision made and trouble ensues; very often the whole cost of burial is lost to the undertaker officiating. In the case of many beneficiaries, there is frequently confusion as to who is

responsible. Sometimes they agree to pro rata the cost—until the money is in hand—then some refuse to pay.

3. We are making these facts public in order that all may see the necessity for some form of legislation on the subject. Cost, as we all know, must be proportionate to the average risk. Thus, if undertakers were reasonably sure of making collections, this assurance would naturally react in reduced cost of funerals. When the funeral director, because of poor collections, delays due to minors and absent beneficiaries, or because of the squabbling of many beneficiaries, has to borrow money in order to meet his bills, this condition, of course, is reflected in the charges for service.

Therefore, if the legislature of Virginia should so amend the present law to read: "That in case of minor children, absent beneficiaries, minor beneficiaries, that the Insurance Company, Fraternal Society or other organization acting in like capacity, should be instructed to see that satisfactory arrangements had been made insofar as the funeral costs of the deceased are concerned. And furthermore: in the case of minors that the cost of the burial of the deceased be paid by the insuring organization, and that the residue be held or placed in trust for benefit of the minor beneficiary."

Thus assured the undertaker could materially reduce his risk and cost of doing business, and consequently reduce the average expense of burials. Let us put on a campaign of education in hopes that the legislature will grant the needed relief—and make funerals cheaper for all concerned.

I consider it quite a pleasure here to give especial reference to our co-worker, Mr. J. M. Wilkerson, President, of Petersburg, Va., now sick, and I trust our prayers shall be for his early recovery. It was Capt Thos. H. Brown, our Secretary, who after writing the Funeral Directors of this state was successful in opening the first convention, just three years ago.

"Our Dead"

Regardless of success, prosperity, growth or what not, there comes a time to every one, in this life, that he must shake off this mortal coil. So it is every year, we pause to say a word regarding our dead. Since we last met three of our number have gone down that shore, that marks the unknown river which divides life from that vast Eternity.

Among those who have gone on before are:

C. H. Jones, Hampton Hamilton Jackson, Portsmouth
Ralph Jones, Norfolk, Va.

These Co-workers have crossed the stream and stand waiting and watching for us, who one by one in our turn must follow.

They have all gone, and will not return.

May they be at peace with God. Green be their memory always,

Why should the Spirit of Mortal be proud,

Like a swift flying meteor, or a dash of cloud:

A break of lightning, a dash of the wave,

Man passed from earth to rest in his grave.

The thoughts our Fathers thought we have thought

The streams our Fathers drank from, we drank from,

The graves our Fathers have gone to we shall soon follow on

So why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

On behalf of the members of this convention I want to thank you for your hearty support to the Executive Committee, as well to the Officers of the Association, for it would not have been a success had you not given your support. Time will not permit me to further intrude, therefore in conclusion, by Divine guidance and your fidelity to the Convention, you have reared on high the bough of promise of a new day of activity. You have shown that elevation success and honor consist not in rising upon the graves of your fellow men, impeding their progress or in rejoicing at their misfortune, but in the spirit which tells us that we move, if at all, together, that when one suffers all suffer, when one succeeds and is honored all rise in and through him. You have shown that when this personal responsibility becomes prevalent, when men who are prepared, when men who have definite purposes are willing to labor to the uttermost for the accomplishment of these aims; every avenue to success will be opened, and every agency will conspire to beckon them onward.

May I bid you God-speed and when you shall have fulfilled the command of destiny, may the blessings of your precepts and examples shine forth with such splendor, that as an illustrious speaker once said, "You will need neither the sculptor nor the architect to perpetuate your memory, no princely dome, no ancestral pile, no pyramids, whose towering heights shall pierce the stormy clouds and rear its lofty head to heaven to tell posterity your fame? But may your deeds, your worthy deeds alone, render you immortal.

When oblivion shall have swept away thrones, kingdoms and prin-

cipalities, when every vestige of human greatness, grandeur and glory shall have mouldered in the dust, and the past period of time become extinct—may eternity itself, catch the glowing theme, and dwell with increasing rapture on your name.

“Lest we forget; lest we forget.”

Respectfully,

J. T. Fisher, Vice President

By motion it was decided that a telegram expressing sorrow at his absence be sent to the President of the Association and a rising vote of thanks be given the Vice Pres. for his splendid address.

Report by Secretary-Treas., Capt. Thos. H Brown, was as follows:

Secretary's Report

Petersburg, Va., Apr. 22. 1931

To the Members of the Colored Funeral

Directors & Licensed Embalmers Asso. of Va.

Dear Co-workers:

I am happy to meet you in this our Third Annual meeting. I am also thankful to the good Lord for His many blessings of the year, and for keeping us together to come to this meeting. I hope that the Association will grow to the high standard for which the profession stands; for if we would consider the origin of preparing dead human bodies, it dates back to the burial of Christ, which to my mind puts it on the high plane of Christianity; and it is my contention that our profession is next in sacredness to that of the ministry, and should be brought up to that high standard, as it can be, if each of us puts the best that we have in the way of dignity into his business. Thus, we would convince the public that we serve that we are not gold diggers, but Christians; and the amount of charity we do, by our own will and forced by circumstances shows that we have the spirit of Christ in our work.

Since the meeting in Petersburg, Oct. 12, 1928, I have tried to keep up the spirit that actuated the formation of this association. As you know, this has been a hard year on all business, yet I have done what I could in putting over the program of this Association. In this I have been somewhat handicapped, due to the illness of our president, Mr. J. M. Wilkerson, for with his volume of business and failing health, he could not give much time to conference on the association work. And there are petty differences which will arise, but each of us must be bigger than the fellow who will not co-operate in an ethical way, and not let these differences break

up our association.

Noticing from Secretary Harry J. Gilligan of the National Association, of the intention of many states to ask legislation in the interest of their state bodies, I feel that we should make a more determined effort to have our law amended.

By your resolution of last April, making me your messenger to the white association; I feel that much good will come to us. I was cordially met on arriving at the Roanoke meeting in June and was introduced by Maj. L. T. Christian, Secretary of the State Board of Embalming. I talked briefly to the point, and the President, in his address recommended the major part of our idea and referred it to the Legislative Committee, who will report in their June meeting. Mr. F. H. King, of the legislative committee and I have been in touch with each other and there is to be a meeting of this committee during April in Roanoke. Since we recommended a fee of \$150 to be raised during the year and they did likewise, I hope we will be able to meet them, and meet whatever financial demands may be made on us to aid this legislation.

Death has visited our ranks this year, taking our fellow workers namely: C. N. Jones, of Hampton, H. Jackson, of Norfolk and in the absence of these men our association has lost two good workers.

Now, at the meeting of our Executive Committee, we had decided on making some changes, in fact changing all officers, to which I did agree in that meeting, but, now that C. H. Jones is dead and since our president is in the hospital at Petersburg, I would not favor changing him while on a sick bed. However, the personnel of the rest could be changed. I would be happy to be relieved, as you will see from my financial report that it is a thankless job, and the multiplicity of duties in my city are most too burdensome. However, let me say that whoever you elect as officers of the body should have your co-operation, not at the annual meeting alone but during the year. An answer to a letter from the office would give some encouragement. During the year I've sent out many communications with but few answers.

In closing let me urge you to be more active in your communities on our legislative program. You know that it was sentiment that brought about our freedom. Back in the dark days of slavery the abolitionists were scoffed at, and men who felt the Negro should be free were looked upon as crazy. So have some looked upon me about this program, but after being talked to, some are beginning to see the idea, and in my city things are taking on shape. Many insurance men who first thought it impracticable are beginning to

see it in its true light and are agreeing that it is right and just that a person carrying insurance or paying in fraternal organizations is entitled to decent burial out of it, and when dishonest beneficiaries draw the money and do not pay the funeral bill they are doing an injustice to the dead.

I could dwell longer on this subject but time will not permit. As I have striven to reduce the cost of the office to real needs, I now call your attention to the Financial Report as follows:

Financial Report

1930

Apr. 22	Balance in hand	-----	\$37.17
" "	Collected at Convention	-----	\$80.00
" 23	" " "	-----	35.00
			115.00
June 25	Legal Fund (R. C. Scott)	-----	5.00
			<u>\$157.17</u>

Disbursements

1930

Apr. 23-24	Convention expenses and badges	-----	\$6.00
June 1	2 Phone calls to Hampton	-----	.65
" 4	" " " " Portsmouth	-----	.75
" 5	" " " " Richmond	-----	.55
July	Postage	-----	.65
"	Mackey Printing & Publishing Co. Printing	-----	19.00
"	Attorney fee	-----	11.00
"	Clerical aid	-----	10.00
"	Phone call to Roanoke	-----	1.15
"	Expense to Roanoke (gas and oil)	-----	9.68
Sept.	Mackey Printing & Pub. Co. (History & minutes)	-----	54.00
"	Pouches and postage	-----	2.50
Oct. 22	Expenses to Lynchburg (gas and oil)	-----	5.05
Jan. 1931	Circulars, literature and postage	-----	3.50
			<u>\$124.48</u>

Receipts	-----	\$157.17
Disbursements	-----	124.48
Balance	-----	\$32.69

Receipts

1931		
Feb. 19	Balance in hand -----	\$32.69
" "	A. D. Price -----	5.00
" "	B. H. King. -----	5.00
" 25	— Higginbotham, legal fee and dues -----	10.00
" 21	J. H. Corprew " " " " -----	10.00
" 24	J. H. Hale " " " " -----	10.00
Apr. 17	M. B. Pool, dues -----	5.00
" 20	John O. Morris, legal fee and dues -----	10.00
" 21	J. L. Walker -----	5.00
	Robert W. Brown, Fredericksburg -----	10.00
		\$102.69

DISBURSEMENTS

1931		
Feb. 21	Design for J. H. Jones -----	\$10.00
" "	Phone and telegraph message -----	1.00
Mar. 1	Typist and clerical work -----	4.00
"	Stamps -----	1.00
Apr. 6	Legal Advice (B. F. Harris) -----	10.00
Apr.	Mackey Printing & Pub. Co.—printing -----	5.50
"	Design for H. Jackson -----	7.00
"	Stamps -----	1.50
29	Bad check returned -----	5.00
		\$45.00
	Balance in hand -----	\$57.69

Respectfully submitted,

Thos. H. Brown, Sect.—Treas.

Col'd F. D. & L. E. Asso. of Va.

By motion the report of the Secretary—Treasurer was received with thanks and report ordered filed for future reference.

The following Committees were appointed by the President:

Condolence—J. H. Corprew, U. S. Cunningham, C. P. Hayes.

Place of Meeting—Wm. Grogan, John Elliott, — Walker.

Sect'y-Treas. Report--R. C. Scott, Norman Gordon, Moses Forsey.

At this time a report was made by Mr. C. V. Wilson. relative to the program prepared by the local body.

Prof. Morris H. Dotson, Mr. Gordon Jackson and Mrs. Florence Morgan, of N. C. made some very timely remarks.

After some announcements by Mr. C. V. Wilson, the meeting adjourned to go to the Exhibit Hall for an address by Maj. L. T. Christian of the State Board of Embalming.

The next session was held at the Court St. Bapt. Church.

Program

Master of Ceremonies, H. A. M. Johns, Mgr. Nat. Benefit Life Insurance Co.

Negro National Anthem----- Congregation

Invocation.... Rev. P. W. Cook, Pastor Court St. Bapt. Church

Welcome Address J. T. Harris, Secty, Hunton Y. M. C. A.

Introduction of Pres..... R. W. Clark, Mgr. Citizen's Und. Co.

Response to Welcome..... J. T. Fisher, V. Pres. Col. Funeral

Directors & Embalmers Asso. of Va.

Selection ----- Twilight Singers

Address--Subject: "Relationship of the Church and Community to the Funeral Director"----- Dr. Vernon Johns

Pres. Va. Seminary and College

Instrumental Solo----- Prof. B. H. Stewart

History of Association----- Capt. Thos. H. Brown, Sect'y.

Introduction of Visitors----- Mr. C. V. Wilson

Secty-Treas. C. V. Wilson. Co. Inc:

Selection ----- Twilight Singers

Offertory----- Mc G. Higginbotham

Prop. Strange & Higginbotham

Benediction----- Rev. L. K. Jackson

Pastor Rivermont Baptist Church

Second Day's Session Thursday April 23

The Colored Funeral Directors and Licensed Embalmers Asso. of Virginia, assembled in Humbles' Hall at 10:30 o'clock The meeting was opened with Prayer, Scripture Reading and Song, led by the chaplain, Mr. J. S. Taylor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, received and adopted The Committees reported as follows:

Report of Committees

We, your Committee on Report of the Sect'y-Treas. find this Report correct in every detail and recommend that it be received with thanks. Respectfully,

R. C. Scott, Chair.; Norman Gordon, Moses Forsey

April 22, 1931

To the Funeral Directors & Embalmers Asso. of Va.:

Whereas, it pleased the Almighty God to take our brothers and co-workers, Chas. H. Jones, of Hampton, Va., Hamilton Jackson and Ralph Jones of Norfolk, Va., We bow in humble submission to Him that doeth all things well.

We sympathize with the families in their hours of grief and loss.

We recommend that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the families and that they be spread upon the minutes of this Association. Respectfully, Condolence Committee:

C. P. Hayes, Chair., John H. Corprew, U. S. Cunningham

We your Committee on Place of Meeting recommend that the next Annual meeting of the Funeral Directors & Licensed Embalmers of Va., be held in the city of Petersburg, Va.,

Respectfully, Wm. Grogan, John Elliott, J. L. Walker

After a brief discussion, by motion of Mr. R. C. Scott, seconded by Mr. R. Rodgers. it was decided that the next annual meeting be held on 13th & 14th of July 1932, in the city of Petersburg, Va.

A Resolution coming the Secretary relative to test cases of Insurance, etc., were read by him as follows:

In view of the fact that R. C. Scott is making some test cases that may preclude the necessity of a long fight in getting the present laws bearing on Insurance and Beneficial Societies and feeling that it might be a helpmate, since it may be possible should we get our bill before the incoming General Assembly that some time will be consumed before we can have success: Therefore, be it resolved that we support and aid as an Association the contention of Mr. Scott in having tested by the Court of orders or assignments given by beneficiaries.

Be it further resolved, that the law of the Association bearing on time of meeting be changed to read that our annual meeting be held on a Wednesday and Thursday of July of each year.

Submitted, Thos. H. Brown

The resolution was received and after some discussion the body voted that Mr. Scott would continue his work as outlined in the resolution and the same adopted.

The president of the N. C. association, Mr. W. P. Robinson, of Charlotte, was introduced by the Secretary. Mr. Robinson gave some timely remarks which were gladly received. The response to Mr. Robinson's address was made by Mr. C. P. Hayes of Richmond, Va., and a rising vote of thanks was given Pres. Robinson by the entire body and his invitation to attend the N. C. convention was accepted.

The following white visitors were introduced to the convention: Messrs Mannell, Reames, Almond. Loflin, Hatcher, Wigglesworth, Levy, R. G. Lowman and Maj. L. T. Christian.

Mr. J. H. Corprew suggested that the name and address of each member of the Association be put in the printed minutes; this suggestion was approved.

Rev. W. H. Robinson from Danville, Va., made some very timely remarks, which everyone enjoyed.

Mr. R. C. Scott, presented to Mr. C. V. Wilson, a token coming from the different manufacturing companies, for his interest in making the display a success.

After a twenty minute recess the Association assembled for business at 12:30 o'clock. The next in order was the election of officers as follows:

Officers

J. M. Wilkerson, Petersburg, Va.....	President
J. T. Fisher, Portsmouth, Va.....	First Vice Pres.
John H. Corprew, Portsmouth, Va.....	Second Vice Pres.
Thos. H. Brown, Petersburg, Va.....	Secretary-Treasurer
Mrs. Nancy Wheeler, Portsmouth, Va.	Asst. Secretary
Wilcox Jones, Petersburg, Va.	Sergeant-at-Arms
Arthur Jones, Fredericksburg, Va.	Chaplain

Executive Committee

C. P. Hayes, Chairman.....	Richmond
Jas. A. C. Johnson	Richmond
C. V. Wilson.....	Lynchburg
M. R. Smith	Hampton
U. S. Cunningham	Danville

Remarks were made by the following persons: Revs. Cooke and Matthews, of Lynchburg and East Radford, Va.; Mr. W. H. Brown

Bristol, Va., and Mr. R. B. Goode, Abingdon, Va. A vote of thanks was extended these gentlemen for their inspiring remarks.

The following telegrams were received by the Convention body:

Savannah, Ga.,

Virginia Undertaking Association assembled:--

Care C. V. Wilson Co., 5th St., Lynchburg, Va.

It is with much regret that I am unable to be present in your Association meeting this year. The success of this meeting and much good coming from it are my sincere hopes. Please tender my kindest personal regards to all those present.

Cordially L. H. Fisher

Hampton, Va., Apr. 22

Virginia State Funeral Directors Embalming Asso.

Care C. V. Wilson, Lynchburg, Va.

Sorry I can't attend meeting. Unavoidably detained.

W. H. Satisfield.

The sum of \$165.00 was collected during the convention and turned over to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Resolution of Thanks

Whereas the Local Committee of which Mr. C. V. Wilson is chairman, met such hearty response from the citizens of Lynchburg and the different manufacturing houses:

Be It Resolved: That a vote of thanks be extended to all who joined in the success of this meeting.

The closing hymn "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Matthews of East Radford Va.

Resolution from Floor of Convention

We are very sorry that our President, Mr. Jas. M. Wilkerson is sick and confined to the hospital at Petersburg, Va., during this convention. In our deliberations in former conventions, his wise counsel, his large and extensive business connections, not only in our state, but in the country have proven valuable assets to our success as a convention, and as an organization in this state.

Therefore, Be It Resolved: that we in convention assembled do extend not only our hope, but our prayers to God for his speedy recovery and hereby express our deep regret at his absence from this meeting.

Committee on Nominations

Letter received after the Convention

The Mississippi Colored Funeral Directors & Embalmers Ass'n

Jackson, Miss.

886 N. Parish Street

May 3, 1931

Capt. Thos. H. Brown, Secretary

301 Gill Street,

Petersburg, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

We take this method to let you know that we wish for you and your association a successful meeting and that your program is of such nature that we your brothers and sisters in this state will be benefitted as well as you.

Our association will meet in the city of Hattisburg, on May 26 and 27, 1931, and we cordially invite all of you to be our guest.

An expression will be highly appreciated.

Yours for a big success,

A. G. Sampson,

Executive Secretary



Membership Roll

T J. Arthur, R. F. D. Box 76	Hampton, Va.	
W. C. Arnold, St. Patrick St.	Alexandria	"
Arthur Brown, Jr., 518 Princess Ann St.	Fredericksburg	"
Thos. H. Brown, 301 Gill St.	Petersburg	"
D. W. Brown	Lawrenceville	"
William H. Brown, 431 Sycamore St.	Bristol	"
J. Herbert Bentley	Hallsboro	"
John F. Belle	Charlottesville	"
D. R. Briggs, Box 251	So. Boston	"
Miss Mattie F. Corbin, 206 N. King St.	Hampton	"
Charles Corbin, Paul's Cross Road	Essex Co.	"
Mrs. Christina H. Cooke, 512 Gainsboro Ave.	Roanoke	"
T. E. Cooke	Suffolk	"
C. S. Cunningham, 1814 Hull St.	Manchester	"
C. C. Cunningham, 615 23rd St.	Newport News	"
U. S. Cunningham, 516 Spring St.	Danville	"
Robt. & Wm. Campbell	Kilmarnock	"
J. H. Corprew, 901 Glasgow St.	Portsmouth	"
R. W. Clarke, 520 Commonwealth Ave.	N. E. Roanoke	"
H. A. Claiborne, Box 251	So. Boston	"
Norris H. Dodson, 115 W St.	N. W. Washington, D. C.	
J. M. L. Epps	Petersburg, Va.	
John Elliott, 823 South St.	Portsmouth	"
Moses Forsey, 22-23 E Main St.	Richmond	"
J. T. Fisher, 312 Effingham St.	Portsmouth	"
B. H. Foster, Box 71,	Clover	"
C. Wm. Gray, 1021 Oronoco St.	Alexandria	"
Otis Gerst, 313 1-2 Main St.	So. Boston	"
Norman H. Gordon, 1410 Vine St., Berkeley	Norfolk	"
Wm. Grogan, 823 London St.	Portsmouth	"
Lawrence B Henry,	Richmond	"
Frank H. Hayes, 749 N. Second St.		"
C. P. Hayes, 727 N. Second St.		"
J. Howard Hale, 922 Wide St.	Norfolk	"
Sydney Higginbotham, 909 Fifth Ave.	Lynchburg	"
Mc G. Higginbotham, " " "	"	"
Milton S. " " "	"	"
S. P. Jones	Kenbridge	"
James A. C. Johnson, 10 W. Leigh St.	Richmond	"

Wilcox Jones, 119 Harrison St.	Petersburg	"
D. M. Kay	Fredericksburg	"
S. L. King, 1248 Church St.	Norfolk	"
B. F. King " " "	"	"
John Lomax, 307 S. Randolph St.	Richmond	"
Irene M. Lomax, 1400 S. St. N W.	Washington, D. C.	
P. A. Lomax " " " " "	"	"
C. W. Mason	Emporia, Va.	
H. L. Minor, 507 N. 5th St.	Richmond	"
John C. Morris, R. F. D. No. 1	Cape Charles	"
G. R. Meekins, 908 N. 29th St.	Richmond	"
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